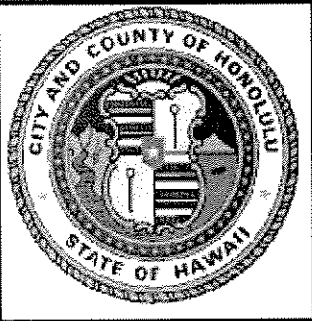


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October 2007

DISTRICT II

KAHALU'U * KO'OLAULOA * NORTH SHORE * WAHIAWA * MILILANI MAUKA



COUNCIL CALENDAR 2007 Committee Meetings:

Wednesday, October 17
Next full Council meeting

Tuesday, October 23
Zoning - 9 am
Planning and Sustainability - 1 pm

Wednesday, October 24
Budget - 9 am
Executive Matters - 1 pm
Affordable Housing and Economic Development - 3 pm

Thursday, October 25
Transportation and Public Works - 9:30 am
Intergovernmental Affairs - 1 pm
Public Health Safety and Welfare - 2:30 pm

Island Emergency Sirens a Top Public Safety Issue

At the September Public Health and Safety Committee meeting, committee members discussed Oahu's emergency siren system. Councilmember Dela Cruz has been working with the Department of Emergency Services for nearly a year to get an emergency siren replaced in Punaluu, which has raised questions about how sirens are maintained and replaced throughout the island.

At September's meeting the Director of Emergency Services, Peter Hirai, commented that replacement of sirens requires a coordinated effort between both the city and state. This process can take upwards of 2-6 years, and includes finding a site, completing an EIS, obtaining proper permits, and contacting the surrounding community.

In the case of Punaluu, the City has completed its responsibilities and is now waiting for the State to complete the project. A representative from State Civil Defense indicated that the siren could be installed by the end of the year (2007) but he made no promise.

Councilmember Dela Cruz has requested that the departments report back to the committee regarding all emergency sirens on Oahu that need to be replaced or installed. The Councilmember also asked that the departments submit suggestions on how to expedite the replacement of emergency sirens so that communities are not waiting years for proper emergency alert systems.



"As disasters like Hurricane Katrina demonstrated - having emergency services and warning systems in place is critical for saving lives. One of the lessons learned from that disaster was how basic emergency preparedness needed to be in place to save lives," remarked Councilmember Dela Cruz at the September committee meeting.

FYI

Make sure to keep your eye out, and check Councilmember Dela Cruz's website, for the next Koolauloa and/or North Shore Sustainable Communities Plan meetings. Your participation is greatly needed. Mahalo.

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KEY Project Honorees and Recipients



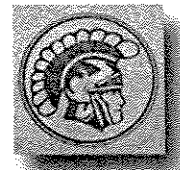
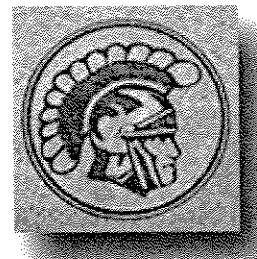
Schnitzer Steel representative, Rene Mansho, presents KEY Project with funds raised through the July 2007 Aloha Aina Day recycling project. Pictured (L-R) : Rene Mansho, John Reppun, Sen. Clayton Hee, Rep. Colleen Meyer, and Councilmember Donovan Dela Cruz. Over \$6000 was raised from recycled materials brought in from Kahalu'u and surrounding communities.



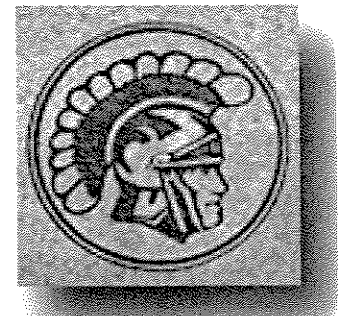
Student graffiti busters were honored by the KEY Board of Directors for their work at Kahalu'u Elementary School and elsewhere around Kahalu'u.

Council Honors Dr. John Brummel

Councilmember Dela Cruz honored Dr. John Brummel, Principal of Mililani High School, at the September City Council meeting. Dr. Brummel was named the 2007 Principal of the Year for the State of Hawaii. Selected by his peers for this award, Dr. Brummel brings a wealth of experience and expertise to his job. He is a former school superintendent with 27 years experience as an administrator. He possesses a doctorate in school administration with an emphasis in curriculum and instruction.



Dr. Brummel is a visionary leader with a passion for his job and who is dedicated to providing the best well-rounded education possible for his students. He has been Principal of Mililani High School for the last three years and prior to that, he served as Vice Principal of the school for two and a half years. Congratulations and mahalo for your service to the youth of Mililani.



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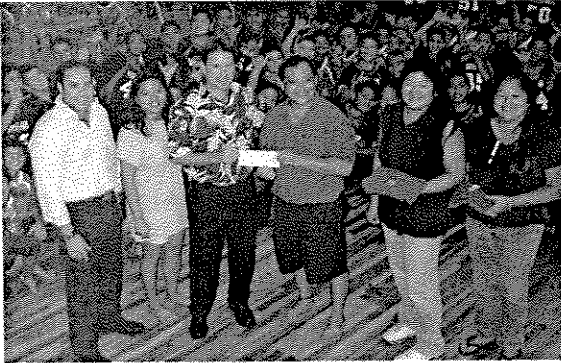
Councilmember Dela Cruz's Community Website Up and Running

Councilmember Dela Cruz is pleased to have a web page that will be updated regularly with community and City Council news. The web page will also contain a digital copy of the monthly newsletter for people to peruse. In addition to the current month's newsletter, we will also be posting past newsletters in an archived folder.

Visit the new page at this address: <http://www.honolulu.gov/council/d2/cd2delacruz.htm>

Thunderbolts Score

Councilmember Dela Cruz welcomed Wal-Mart's Hawaii market manager, Brian Halsey, at a check presentation held at the Wahiawa District Park on Tuesday, September 25. Halsey was on hand to donate \$2500 to the Wahiawa Youth Sports League to help cover costs associated with the purchase of additional equipment for their Youth Football Program.



Photo—Randy Dela Cruz

Over 100 children registered for the football program this year but the league had only enough equipment to cover 50 youths. Councilmember Dela Cruz worked with Wahiawa Youth Sports League representatives and community businesses to help secure additional funds to purchase the much needed equipment.

On behalf of the Wahiawa Youth Sports League and the Wahiawa community, Councilmember Dela Cruz would like to express his appreciation to Brian Halsey and Wal-Mart for their generous donation.

Mililani Affordable Housing Opens

Councilmember Dela Cruz joined Governor Lingle and other dignitaries on September 21, 2007 to celebrate the dedication and blessing of The Courtyards at Mililani Mauka, a \$11.6 million, 48-unit affordable rental housing project that will open soon in Mililani Mauka.

The rental homes are for households whose income is at or below 60 percent of the Oahu median income, or up to \$44,700 for a family of four. Projected monthly rents for the one- to three-bedroom units range from \$737 to \$1,008.

The project is a partnership between the state Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corp., the non-profit Pacific Housing Assistance Corp. and developer Castle & Cooke Homes Hawai'i Inc.

The project, located near the intersection of Ko'olani Drive and Ukuwai Street will remain at affordable rates for 30 years.



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Full Council Action Items

The following actions were taken by the City Council on Wednesday, September 19, 2007:

Third Reading:

Bill 53, CD1—Ewa zone change. (From AG-2 General Agricultural District to I-2 Intensive Industrial District with a height limit of 60 feet.) (Applicant: HMC Irongate Hawaii Raceway Investors, LLC)

Bill 54—Waianae zone change. (From Country District to R-5 Residential District.) (Applicant: Patricia Chinn)

Bill 55, CD1—Waipio zone change. (From I-2 Intensive Industrial District to IMX-1 Industrial Commercial Mixed Use District with a 40 foot height limit.) (Applicant: Core Realty, LLC)

Bill 52, CD2—Relating to public infrastructure maps. (Amending the article relating to public infrastructure maps to clarify the role of the Department of Planning and Permitting in reviewing Council-proposed revisions to the maps and the types of public infrastructure projects to be shown on the public infrastructure map.)

Bill 56, CD2—Relating to intergovernmental relations. (Modifying the approval process for certain intergovernmental agreements.)

Second Reading:

Bill 63, CD1—Relating to solid waste. (Establishing a curbside recycling pilot project and program; providing for a fee for households with once-a-week refuse and recycling collection that also require a second day per week of refuse collection; and providing a fee for damages to City-provided carts caused by negligent actions or neglect of the owner and/or occupant.)

Bill 57—Reserve for Fiscal Stability Fund. (Providing for the deposit of monies realized from the sale of real property to the Fiscal Stability Fund.)

Bill 60, CD1—Civil fines for violations of the ethics laws.

Resolution 07-223, CD1—Charter Amendment relating to the Prosecuting Attorney.

First Reading:

Bill 64—Relating to fire protection. (Promoting fire safety on and near agricultural land.)

Bill 65—Relating to the affordable housing fund. (Requiring that cash contributions ["in-lieu fees"] received from landowners and/or developers for the purpose of satisfying affordable housing conditions contained in the unilateral agreements for their projects be deposited into the affordable housing fund created by Ordinance 07-19.)

Bill 66—Relating to real property tax exemption for affordable rental housing. (Providing real property tax relief to qualified owners of affordable rental housing.)

Bill 67—Relating to expedited permits. (Establishing a process by which the review and processing of building permit applications may be expedited for a premium fee.)

Bill 68—Relating to the traffic code. (Amending the City traffic code to eliminate the minimum height requirement for auxiliary driving lamps.)

Bill 69—Kaimuki zone change. (From B-2 Community Business District to A-2 Medium Density Apartment District) (Applicant: Brenda Hashimoto)

Bill 70—Relating to solid waste. (Further clarifying and defining the City's regulation for the disposal of solid waste.)

Bill 71—Relating to real property assessment. (Simplifying the appeal process, where appeals may be settled by the Director.)

Bill 72—Relating to real property assessment.

Bill 73—Relating to real property assessment. (Providing for electronic notification of the assessment.)

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Resolutions:

Resolution 07-252—Granting a Special Management Area Use Permit to Imperium Renewables Hawaii LLC, to construct and operate a biodiesel production facility on land zoned I-3 Waterfront Industrial District, located at the corner of Malakole Road and John Wayne Avenue at Kalaeloa Barber's Point Harbor, Ewa, Oahu.

Resolution 07-251, CD1—Authorizing the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu to request the Governor of the State of Hawaii to release the funds that have been appropriated by the State Legislature. (Emergency Medical Services Young Street Ambulance Facility)

Resolution 07-225, CD1—Amending the Council rules relating to the duties of the Council Chair and the Council's procurement of contract services. (Rule 4.3, Officers and their Duties)

Resolution 07-262, CD1—Authorizing an agreement among the City, NACo and CaremarkPCS relating to a prescription drug discount card program for residents of the City and County of Honolulu.

Resolution 07-281—Requesting additional funds for the payment of services performed by Special Deputy Corporation Counsel in eight lawsuits pertaining to City land use decisions in Hawaii Kai.

Resolution 07-282—Requesting additional funds for payment of services performed by the law firm of Bingham McCutchen LLP as Special Deputy Corporation Counsel representing the City and County of Honolulu in the lawsuit entitled Sierra Club, et al. v. City and County of Honolulu, et al., Civil No. 04-00463 DAEBMK.

Resolution 07-254—Relating to the acceptance of a gift to the City from DR Fortress, LLC. (Gift valued at \$18,000 for two seats in DRFortress' top-tier data center in Honolulu, along with high-speed internet access)

Resolution 07-270, CD1—Requesting all City agencies and other entities represented on the Government & Public Utilities Task Force to return any road to its original design specifications whenever their agency or entity conducts projects that subject roads to excavation and trenching.

Resolution 07-277, CD1—Requesting Council authorization for the suspension of fares on TheBoat and TheBus; for newly established ferry services between Kalaeloa Harbor and Aloha Tower; and bus shuttle services

Resolution 07-253—Authorizing the Director and Chief Engineer of the Department of Facility Maintenance of the City and County of Honolulu or the Director's authorized representative to enter into an inter-governmental agreement with the U.S. Department of Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, for the repair of the Maunawili Stream Flood Control work

Resolution 07-256—Requesting funding for the Haleiwa Main Street Public Safety Improvement Program by the Hawaii Tourism Authority from the tourism special fund.

Resolution 07259—Requesting the Governor of the State of Hawaii to release appropriated funds for playground equipment at Niu Valley Park and authorizing the acceptance and expenditure of the funds.

District 2 Neighborhood Board Meeting Schedule July 2007

Koolauloa Neighborhood Board	Hauula Civic Center	10/11/07
Kahaluu Neighborhood Board	KEY Project	10/10/07
Mililani Mauka/Launani Valley Neighborhood Board	Mililani Mauka Elementary Cafeteria	10/16/07
Wahiawa Neighborhood Board	Wahiawa District Park	10/22/07
North Shore Neighborhood Board	John Kalili Surf Center	10/29/07

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Resolutions:

Resolution 07-247—Granting a Special Management Area Use Permit to GLP Asphalt LLC, to construct an asphalt cement terminal on land zoned I-3 Waterfront Industrial District, located along John Wayne Avenue at Kalaeloa Barber's Point Harbor, Ewa, Oahu.

Resolution 07-260—Authorizing an intergovernmental agreement with the State of Hawaii, Department of Health, to implement the project entitled, "Best Management Practices (BMPs) Video for Construction Sites in Hawaii".

Resolution 07-264, CD1—Requesting assistance from the United States Department of Agriculture to conduct a damage survey report and relieve hazards caused by the Waialua wildfire.

Resolution 07-268—Approving for appropriation limited purpose monies from the Community Capacity Development Office for the Weed and Seed Program.

Resolution 07-269—Approving for appropriation limited purpose monies from the project Safe Neighborhood Program for the Weed and Seed Program.

Resolution 07-239, CD1—Relating to the acceptance of a gift to the Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) from the HMSA Foundation for the HFD's Smoke Alarm Installation Program. (Gift valued at \$35,000)

Resolution 07-241—Relating to the acceptance of a gift to the City from Friends of Hawaii Charities, Inc., host of the Sony open in Hawaii, for improvements to Kahala Community Park valued at \$10,000

Resolution 07-246—Relating to the acceptance of a gift to the City from the Kailua Historical Society for a standard park bench with back and a plaque to be installed at Kalama Beach Park. (Gift valued at \$3,070.57)

Resolution 07-255—Urging the City Administration to strengthen fire protection services in the Waialua area of the North Shore of Oahu.

Resolution 07-267—Relating to the acceptance of a gift to the City from National Club Swimming Association in funds for the Department of Parks and Recreation valued at \$5,000.

Resolution 07-236, CD1—Urging the Hawaii congressional delegation to resolve issues relating to the sale of the Kukui Gardens Affordable Housing Complex.

Resolution 07-284—Relating to the acceptance of a gift to the Mayor from the United Chinese Society, Incheon Metropolitan City, and Samkoo Pacific LLC, of travel to China and Korea in October 2007. (Gift valued at \$8,479.60)

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